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In re Application of

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Application No. 09/941,485

Examiner:

Clifford C. Shaw

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For: WELDING ARRANGEMENT AND
METHOD

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:


Applicant wishes to draw attention to the document listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, a copy of which document is enclosed.

FI 73615 was cited in an Office Action issued by the Finnish Patent Office in a corresponding Finnish application. FI 73615 relates to a process and apparatus for surface treatment of a workpiece. The workpiece 2 is first measured in a measuring device 4 and thereafter moved to a separate handling device 12 for carrying out the surface treatment. In the circumstances, applicant believes that the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance of the document has been satisfied. See MPEP 609.

Pursuant to MPEP 609, it is requested that the Examiner should initial Form PTO-1449 to confirm that each document has been considered, and return a copy of the form to the undersigned with the next Office Action.

A check in the amount of \$180 for the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

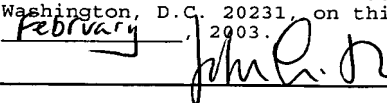


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